CARDIN, MIKULSKI ANNOUNCE \$1.5 MILLION TO HELP ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY RECOUP SNOW REMOVAL COSTS

WASHINGTON – U.S. Senators Benjamin L. Cardin and Barbara A. Mikulski (both D-MD) today announced that Anne Arundel County will receive a \$1.5 million public assistance grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to help recoup some of the costs associated with removing snow after the back-to-back blizzards in February 2010.

"Good snow removal is the key to getting Marylanders to their jobs and ensuring that our state gets back to work, particularly after two back-to-back blizzards" said **Senator Cardin**. "The local jurisdictions did an outstanding job last winter of clearing the roads and this FEMA assistance will help them recoup their costs."

"Last winter's storms were a record-setting triple whammy, stunning the region and depleting state and local resources," **Senator Mikulski** said. "I fought to make sure the snow disaster didn't turn into a budget disaster for Maryland, and I'm pleased to see Anne Arundel County getting dough for snow."

Senators Mikulski and Cardin fought to secure federal aid for the state in the aftermath of the last winter's severe weather and snow storms. As a result of the snowstorms, Maryland was in a state of emergency from February 5, 2010 to March 7, 2010 and the Maryland National Guard was called into service. More than \$80.9 million in assistance has been approved statewide for Maryland communities affected by the snow storms.

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